

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the second paragraph bridging pages 1 and 2 as follows:

--When an abnormal end occurs on information processing apparatuses such as personal computers, they must be restarted by use of the backup data which were saved in advance; however, this operation possibly involves a discrepancy between the downloaded software for use in updating the software of abnormally ended information processing apparatuses and their backup data. In order to solve this problem, technologies have been developed in which, at the downloading of software, the storage area which was active when an abnormal end took place is switched to the other storage area in the information processing apparatus and, after the downloading, it is started up by use of this other storage area (~~for example, patent document 1: Japanese Patent Laid-open No. Hei 09-18076~~). Technologies have also been proposed in which the software to be downloaded is divided into a plurality of blocks and checksum calculation is executed only on the sending side to reduce software download time (for example, patent document 2: Japanese Patent Laid-open No. Hei 09-16404).--